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—SUDDENLY, I

REALIZED THAT I SEEM TO LACK IN SOMETHING.

—I LET MY GUARD DOWN

MAYBE —— I NEEDLESSLY HURT YOU A LOT

I FELT SORRY—

I THOUGHT OUR PAST TALK WAS ALREADY OVER,

AND I WAS JUST LISTENING TO HIM FROM THE ASPECT OF AN INVESTIGATOR.

SHOOT
I'M GETTING NERVOUS AGAIN
I-IS...
THAT SO?
AFTER A WHILE,
I MET THE MANAGER... AND I WAS SCOUTED BY HER.
AH, YEAH.
I NEVER THOUGHT,
HE WAS THINKING ABOUT ME THAT WAY...
-WELL, NO MATTER WHAT I SAY,
IT'S TOO LATE ANYWAY.
Gulp
Gulp
P...W
AND

SO I GRADUALLY BECAME INTERESTED
EVENTUALLY, I DECIDED TO GIVE IT A TRY
I LIKED DETECTIVE STORIES A LOT
WE'RE REALLY VERSATILE! ♪
SHE WAS SO DETERMINED TO HEADHUNT ME

TO CONFESS EVERYTHING AND QUIT THE OFFICE, I COULD HAVE DONE THAT

BUT SOMEWHERE IN MY MIND,

I THINK I WANTED TO SEE YOU AGAIN

"I MADE HER CRY, SO MANY TIMES IN THE PAST"
"WHAT IS SHE DOING NOW?", I WONDERED
I HAD NO IDEA AT ALL...
WHAT KIND OF EXPRESSION YOU WOULD MAKE,
IF YOU SAW ME
AT THAT TIME,
OH, SHURI.
IT'S HIM
RIKI NIJIHARA-KUN

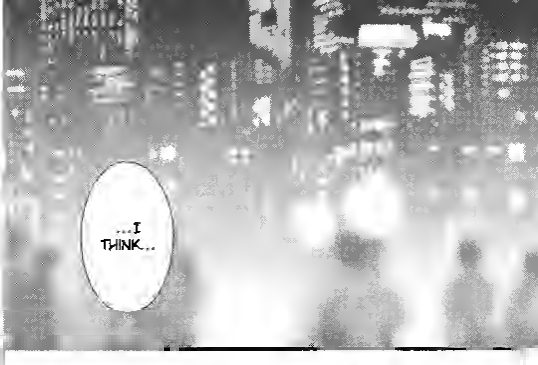
Heh
...AT THAT TIME, YOU...
GAVE ME AN AWFUL FACE, DIDN'T YOU?
Did I..?
AT THAT SIGHT,
"I REALLY DID HURT HER"
"AH, I KNEW IT."
I REALIZED THAT—
I KNOW.
THAT WASN'T GOOD!
I CAN QUIT IF SHE WANTS ME TO.
EH—
—AND
AFTER MANY TWISTS AND TURNS,
I'M HERE

YOU SEE I...
I WAS ALWAYS FULL OF MYSELF AND THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR OTHER THINGS
....SO THAT'S HOW IT WAS..
Hush
...SO WAS I.
MORE-OVER,
I LACK IN SOME-THING AS A HUMAN

IN REALITY,
I COULDN'T HAVE A GOOD RELATION-SHIP WITH YOU. BUT...
I DIDN'T PUT YOU BY MY SIDE,
TO HURT YOU
YEAH.
I UNDER-STAND
I UNDER-STAND.
JUST LIKE NOW

IT DOESN'T REALLY MAKE SENSE TO ME
OR THE EMOTIONS YOU'RE FEELING..
THE REASON YOU CRY
I'M.. NOT CAPABLE OF UNDER-STANDING THOSE THINGS.
I'M SORRY.
!!

THANKS.
YOU SURE ARE WEEPY...
I'M ALWAYS THINKING,
THAT MAYBE YOU'RE STORING SOMETHING ROUND YOUR EYES,
LIKE A WATER BAG.
LIKE HELL I WOULD!


...I THINK...

I ENDED UP MAKING YOU SPEAK A LOT.
Sniff
EVEN THOUGH YOU SUCK AT IT
THANK YOU

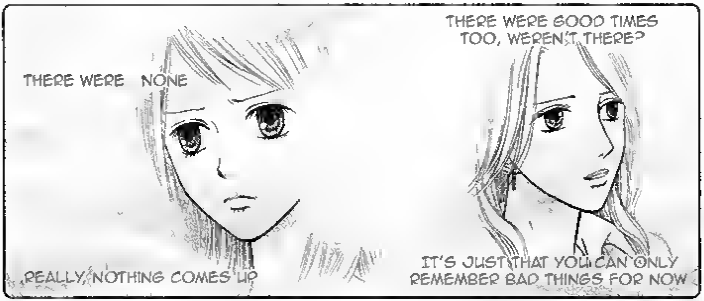
FINALLY,
I WAS ABLE TO FACE YOU,
AND UNDER-STAND YOU A LITTLE.

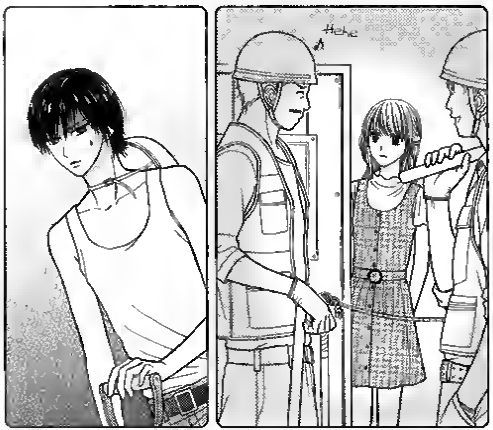
After all this time?
...SORRY
Since I can't read you it couldn't be helped
BUT,
I FEEL LIKE I'VE MADE YOU TALK TOO MUCH..
NOT REALLY... I DON'T GIVE A SHIT.
-YOU KNOW WHAT,
THE THING ABOUT YOU... MISSING SOMETHING,
I SAY IT'S ALREADY REACHED THE PROBLEM-FREE LEVEL
PROBABLY IT WOULD BE HIS ACQUIRED PART
OH WELL,
YOU CAN STAY AS YOU ARE THAT INHUMAN PART WOULD BE COUNTED AS CHARACTER
I EVEN THINK YOU COULD BE A GOOD INVESTIGATOR,
WHEN YOU DON'T GET BOTHERED BY UNNECESSARY EMOTIONS
HE COULD CRY FOR HIS FRIEND
AS HE GETS OLDER,
THE DEPTHS OF HIS MIND MIGHT BE FULFILLED

I'M SORRY ABOUT A LOT...
AND WAS IMMATURE...
...THE SAME GOES FOR ME. I LACKED IN EXPE-RIENCE,
...HEY, LISTEN.
NOW...
I DON'T HOLD ANY GRUDG-ES,
NOT EVEN ONE BIT.

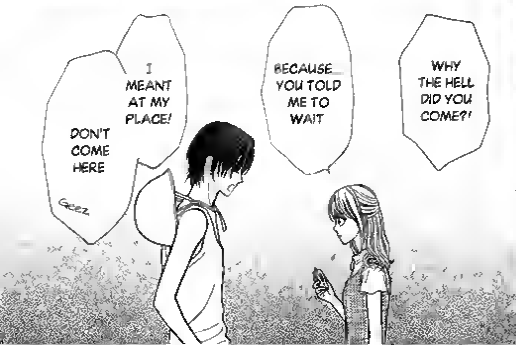
...HEY.
EH?
DON'T BE SCARED. FOR JUST A LITTLE WHILE

LIKE
THIS WARM EMBRACEMENT...
YOU'VE NEVER GIVEN ME, EVEN ONCE...


THERE WERE GOOD TIMES TOO, WEREN'T THERE?
THERE WERE NONE
REALLY, NOTHING COMES UP
IT'S JUST THAT YOU CAN ONLY REMEMBER BAD THINGS FOR NOW



THERE WERE INDEED,
A FEW GOOD TIMES...


I MEANT AT MY PLACE!
DON'T COME HERE
GEEZ
BECAUSE YOU TOLD ME TO WAIT
WHY THE HELL DID YOU COME?!

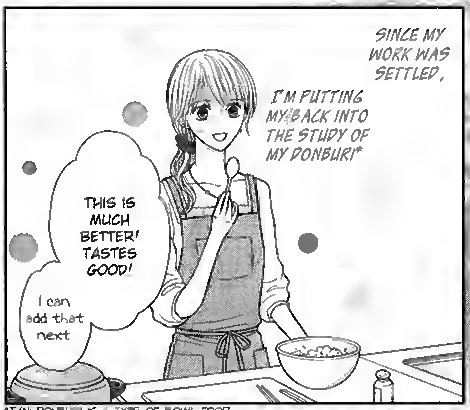
11
SEVEN
BUY A MEAL.
Fall
I WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU'RE ALWAYS LIKE THAT
Empty place
You don't have to eat that much...
He's scary on the phone.
Calcium deficiency?
EH?
THIS IS MY MEAL
IS SHE A PUPPY?
ENVELOPES

SIT DOWN.
EH?
*LABEL DISINFECTANT
GOING TO A CONVENIENCE STORE TOGETHER.
SUCH A TRIVIAL THING MADE ME HAPPY.
SPLAT
YOU SWEAT TOO MUCH.
The one and only good memory with him
I THINK...

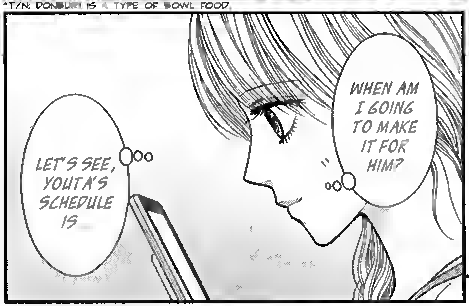
I REMEMBERED THAT
AFTER ALL THIS TIME
I COULD HAVE MADE IT A MEMORY NOW
I'VE FINALLY BROUGHT IT TO AN END—
FOR MAKING TIME FOR ME.
THANK YOU.
MY MIND GOT ALL CLEARED UP.
OH, YEAH? THAT'S GOOD THEN.

NOTHING
ALL RIGHT
Good
ARE YOU OKAY?
ABOUT WHAT?
Er...
UH, UM, LIKE YOUR FEELINGS AND ALL
FROM TOMORROW AGAIN,
PLEASE TAKE CARE OF ME AS A GOOD CO-WORKER
—UH-HUH
NEVER MIND! GOODNIGHT!
SEE YOU THEN!
THANKS FOR YOUR HARD WORK.
I'll give it a try!

Vroom


SINCE MY WORK WAS SETTLED,
I'M PUTTING MY BACK INTO THE STUDY OF MY DONBURI*
THIS IS MUCH BETTER! TASTES GOOD!
I can add that next

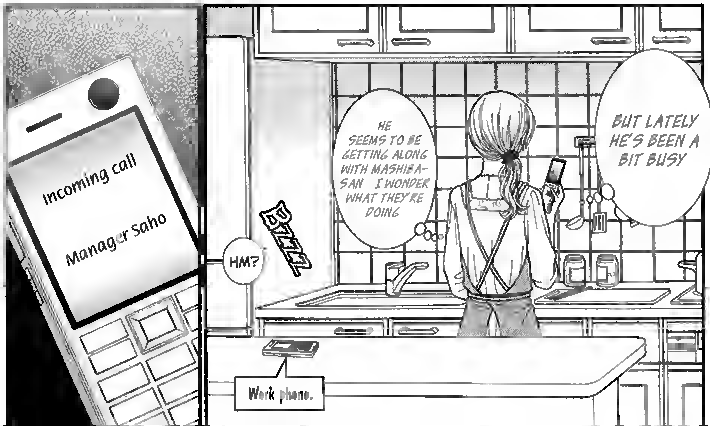
*TN: DONBURI IS A TYPE OF BOWL FOOD.



ONE OF THE LONG, PENT-UP FEELINGS IN MY MIND.

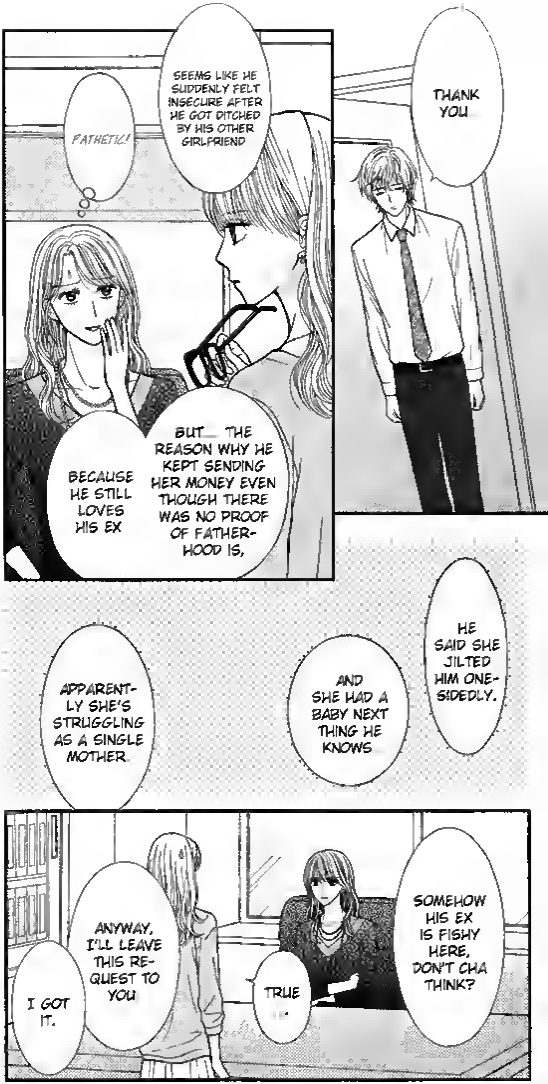
FINALLY GOT CLEARED UP

OH!


Incoming call
Manager Saho
BUZZ...
HM?
Work phone.
HE SEEMS TO BE GETTING ALONG WITH MASHIBA-SAN I WONDER WHAT THEY'RE DOING
BUT LATELY HE'S BEEN A BIT BUSY

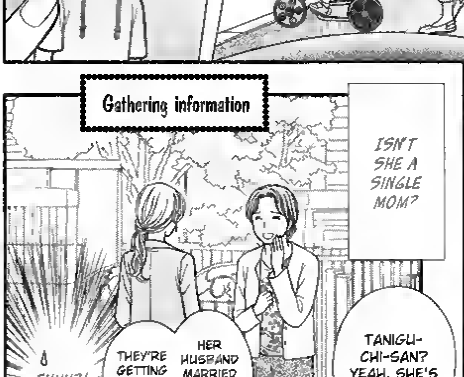
I'M SORRY FOR CALLING YOU OUT. I KNOW YOU'RE WORKING THE AFTERNOON SHIFT TODAY.
NEVER MIND.
THE CLIENT IS WAITING OVER THERE.
WHAT?!
I need a disguise.
From that time !
THEY SAY "MONEY COMES AND GOES" BUT ...
RIGHT. HE WAS A TARGET OF NIJIHARA-KUN.
YEP.
WE'VE WRAPPED THE CASE UP WITHOUT ANY TROUBLES
A FEMALE CLIENT SAID,
CLIENT FEMALE AGE 27
ASIDE FROM "HAVING A KID"...
WHEN SHE FOUND OUT HE WAS SENDING MONEY TO THAT OTHER WOMAN, SHE GAVE UP ON HIM
Basically women are quick to move on.
I KNEW HE WOULD BE DUMPED ...

I WAS WONDERING IF I COULD MAKE SURE
IF I THINK ABOUT IT, I HAVEN'T CONFIRMED HIM AS MY REAL CHILD
I'M SORRY, I KNOW IT
EVEN THOUGH I HAVEN'T ACKNOWLEDGED HIM AS MY OWN I KEPT SENDING HER CHILD SUPPORT
UM... ACTUALLY MY EX-GIRLFRIEND WHOM I BROKE UP WITH QUITE A LONG TIME AGO HAS A KID
THERE ARE CHILDREN WHO DON'T TAKE AFTER THEIR PARENTS..
I SUPPOSE A DNA TEST WOULD BE PREFERABLE
WE HAVE A MEDIATOR THAT IS CAPABLE OF CONDUCTING AN ACCURATE TEST IN THE COUNTRY
BUT HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE ME.. AT ALL
I KNOW HE IS BLOOD TYPE A LIKE ME
HE'S LAID-BACK OR MOKE LIKE WEAK WILLED?
I'M ASKING HER TO LET ME SEE HIM ON THE REGULAR BASIS, SO I THINK IT'S DOABLE
I'D LIKE YOU TO WAIT FOR A RESULT FOR A FEW DAYS AFTER THE SUBMISSION
WITH THE ESTABLISHED COTTON SWAB, YOU TAKE IT LIKE RUB THEM OFF
WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO COLLECT THE KID'S ORAL CELLS?

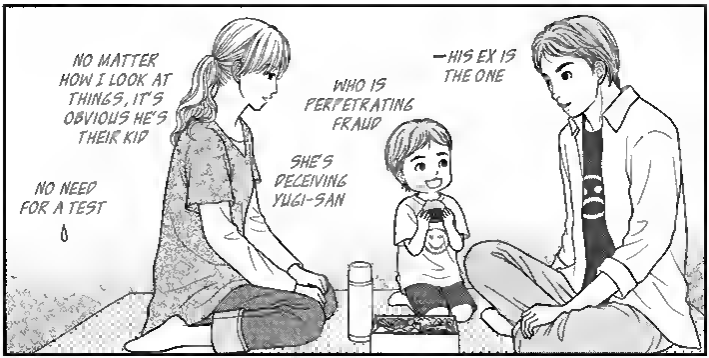

THANK YOU
SEEMS LIKE HE SUDDENLY FELT INSECURE AFTER HE GOT DITCHED BY HIS OTHER GIRLFRIEND
PATHETIC!
BUT... THE REASON WHY HE KEPT SENDING HER MONEY EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS NO PROOF OF FATHERHOOD IS,
BECAUSE HE STILL LOVES HIS EX
HE SAID SHE JILTED HIM ONE-SIDEDLY.
AND SHE HAD A BABY NEXT THING HE KNOWS
APPARENTLY SHE'S STRUGGLING AS A SINGLE MOTHER.
SOMEHOW HIS EX IS FISHY HERE, DON'T CHA THINK?
TRUE...
ANYWAY, I'LL LEAVE THIS REQUEST TO YOU
I GOT IT.

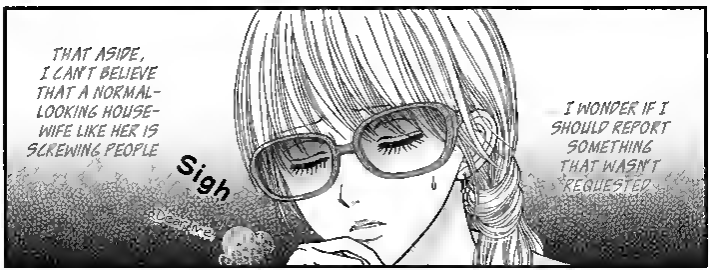
BUT SOMEHOW HIS FEEBLENESS MAKES ME UNABLE TO TAKE MY EYES OFF HIM
MR. MUSU IS NOT A GOOD PERSON
—I THINK I SHOULD LOOK A BIT MORE INTO IT ASIDE FROM A DNA TEST
SHOULD I REALLY STICK MY NOSE IN THEIR BUSINESS?
THAT'S MY BAD HABIT, I GUESS?
On a stakeout

A MOM AND HER CHILD
THERE THEY ARE!
OH,


Gathering information
ISN'T SHE A SINGLE MOM?
TANIGU-CHI-SAN? YEAH, SHE'S MARRIED
HER HUSBAND MARRIED INTO HER FAMILY, RIGHT?
THEY'RE GETTING ALONG WELL
EHHH?!

HM?


NO MATTER HOW I LOOK AT THINGS, IT'S OBVIOUS HE'S THEIR KID
NO NEED FOR A TEST
SHE'S DECEIVING YUGI-SAN
WHO IS PERPETRATING FRAUD
—HIS EX IS THE ONE


THAT ASIDE, I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT A NORMAL-LOOKING HOUSE-WIFE LIKE HER IS SCREWING PEOPLE
Sigh
I WONDER IF I SHOULD REPORT SOMETHING THAT WASN'T REQUESTED

YUGI-SAN?!

Gasp
HM?!

AHHH
THIS IS BAD! YOU CAN'T GO THAT WAY!
HE CAME LOOKING FOR A CHANCE TO GET THE KID'S ORAL CELLS !?!
COULD IT BE...
—MOEKO?
SHH!
DAD IS SCARY!
EEP!
...WHAT? WHO ARE YOU?!
...WHO IS HE?
OH, YOU-KNOW-WHO?
A PHONETIC SUPPORTER?

She's leaving back
Whoa
This is awful
LOOKS LIKE HIM
DAD?
THIS
WHAT
GUY
AHH
MY MONEY TREE
WHAT THE HELL?!
I TOLD YOU NEVER TO COME SEE US WITHOUT ASKING ME!
GOT BUST-ED
I HAVE BEEN DECEIVED?
Stagger
CHEATED
YUGI-SA..
HE'S GOING TO BUY A WEAPON!
DASH
THIS IS BAD!

HE'S GOING TO COMMIT SUICIDE AFTER KILLING THEM.
GET MOVING NOW!
WHAT'S WITH YOU?
UM, UH, IT'S DANGEROUS!
GO BACK TO YOUR HOME RIGHT NOW AND LOCK ALL THE DOORS!
NEVER OPEN THEM.
I CAN'T LET HIM COMMIT A CRIME!
I'M SORRY, BUT WE'VE GOT A SITUATION!
GET ME SOME BACKUP! 2-2, XX TOWN—
HE'S GOT A KNIFE!
HE CAME BACK

WHO
YUGI-SAN!
AHH
WHY
WHATEVER
SHE KNOWS
DETECTIVE
DETECTIVE
PLEASE CALM DOWN!
IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THEY ARE THE WRONG ONES HERE...
I'M SURE YOU'LL GET YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU SUE THEM
NOISY PEST
I DON'T GIVE A CRAP...
BUGGING ME
GET OUT OF MY WAY
DELETE
DELETE
DELETE
THAT BITCH
THAT'S NOT THE ISSUE
I--
IF YOU DO, YOU'LL LOSE EVERY-THING!
SHUT UP!
I GOTTA DELETE
Well I know there's no use saying this!
...OUTTA MY WAY!
OH MY GOSH
HE'S TOTALLY LOST HIS MIND
RIGHT AWAY
DELETE
DELETE
QUICKLY
ME TOO

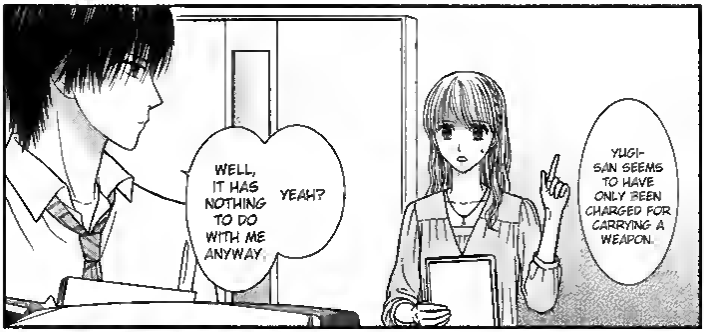
DELETE
Take out
I HAVE TO
DELETE HER TOO
CAN'T BE HELPED
VROOM
DID HELP COME?!
GASP
CH...
STAND UP
CHRIST?!
YOU!?A!
SFX. VROOM

Jump
SFX: WHACK
OUCH!
IS HE ALIVE?
Phew
I'M TELLING YOU THIS ALL THE TIME YOU HAVE NO MERCY?!
CAN'T YOU JUST GO EASY ON THEM A LITTLE?
SFX: THUD

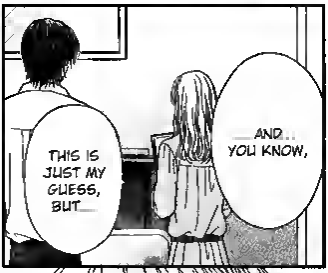
I WOULD LIKE IT IF WE DIDN'T TURN HIM IN AT THE POLICE THOUGH
I didn't go all the way anyway
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH THIS JERK? CALL THE POLICE?
I BET HE'LL DO THIS AGAIN.
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
YEAH! THANKS TO YOU GUYS
Hmm
I GUESS THEY WON'T CHARGE HIM WITH A HEAVY PUNISHMENT IF WE DON'T TELL THEM EVERY-THING.
EVEN IF THEY DO, HE'LL JUST BE GIVEN A FINE FOR POSSESSING A KNIFE AND HE COULD WRAP IT UP WITH A GOOD LAWYER'S HELP.
WOULDN'T IT BE BETTER IF HE COOLS HIMSELF DOWN WHILE LOCKED UP?
YUGI-SAN,
...
SHE MUST HAVE HAD A HARD TIME AS WELL.
FOR CHEATING ON YOUR GIRLFRIEND WHO LEFT YOU THE OTHER DAY
THIS MIGHT BE A PUNISH-MENT
Heehee
I'LL CALL MASHIBA-SAN
YOU MIGHT BE RIGHT...
Sorry, Girlfriend Rental Love Book

I WONDER WHY... ISN'T IT A PAIN IN THE NECK?
DESPITE THE SUFFERINGS THEY NEVER GIVE UP ON FINDING THEIR RIGHT ONE.
EVERYONE. ONCE THEY START THEIR RELATIONSHIPS NEXT THEY PART FROM EACH OTHER.
a little while ago
I DON'T GET IT
SHURI-SAN HAS CHANGED A LITTLE...
He looks like a total asstard to me.
YOU'RE ACTUALLY LOOKING OUT FOR HIM, AREN'T YOU?
EH? UH, KINDA.
HE MIGHT HAVE LOOKED INCORRIGIBLE,
BUT ACTUALLY, HE'S GOT A PURE HEART.
...OH, RIGHT.
BACK THEN, SHE SEEMED TO BE DEALING WITH THIS KIND OF STUFF MONOTONOUSLY
MAYBE SHE HAS SOFTENED A BIT?
DELUSION
"SOFT SHURIRIN"
EVIL
SUCH A GOOD PHRASE
NOW, I WON'T ASK YOU,
WHY YOU'VE GOT A BLOODY NOSE.
OH, WHAT'S WITH THAT ICY REACTION?
Still I'm ecstatic with your coolness!
There here
Weeeoo~
Stop it, you pervert!

WOW~
WE DON'T EVEN NEED TO TEST
He's a carbon copy of his dad.
I'VE INTRODUCED HIM TO A HOTSHOT LAWYER
THANK YOU.
YOU'RE RIGHT...
Thanks to you
I'LL WORK HARD, SO YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!
MY, IT'S REASSURING...
BY THE WAY WHAT ABOUT YOU SHUJI?
YOUR MATTERS GOT SETTLED, I GUESS?
This is a personal conversation.
BUT I SUPPOSE I SHOULDN'T ASSIGN HER ANY LARGE-SCALE JOBS FOR A WHILE.
—SHE SAID SO,
I NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT SHIJIHARA AND SHUKI DAIKYO'S BODYGUARD—
IT SEEMS SHE HASN'T BEEN TAILED SINCE THEN HOWEVER...


YUGI-SAN SEEMS TO HAVE ONLY BEEN CHARGED FOR CARRYING A WEAPON.
YEAH?
WELL, IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME ANYWAY.

KOUKI-SAN,
I'D SAY IT WASN'T SUICIDE.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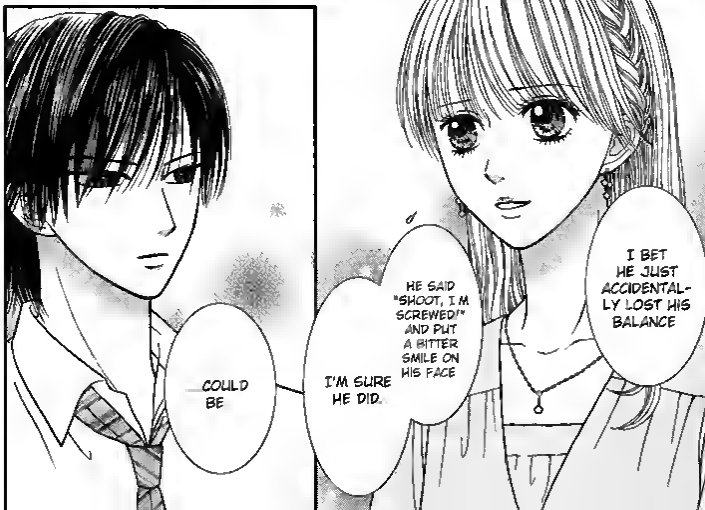
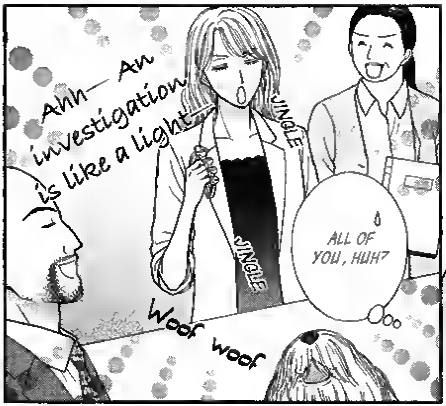
THIS IS JUST MY GUESS, BUT...


I BET HE JUST ACCIDENTALLY LOST HIS BALANCE
HE SAID "SHOOT, I'M SCREWED!" AND PUT A BITTER SMILE ON HIS FACE
I'M SURE HE DID.
...COULD BE

WHAT IS IT, KUBO-KUN?
N-NOTHING I-I'M SORRY
OOOHHHHH?!
*SIGNE KL UNIVERSITY
From: Shurinn
Sub: It's Shuri
Shuri's donburi has been completed! ☆Come to eat it anytime. When would be best for you? ^▽^
Restless
I-IT MAY BE MY FIRST TIME BEING INVITED OVER TO HER PLACE!
I ENTERED THERE IN THE CONFUSION OF THE MOMENT BEFORE THOUGH
PROFESSOR! KUBO-KUN IS WAY TOO RESTLESS AND HE'S INTERRUPTING THE CLASS!
IT'S WORLD-WIDE RESTLESSNESS
HOLY COW, HE'S SO RESTLESS.
I MAY GET KICKED OUT AFTER I EAT HER DONBURI?!
NO, I SHOULDN'T GET A BIG HEAD!
NEXT TIME IS THE TIME!

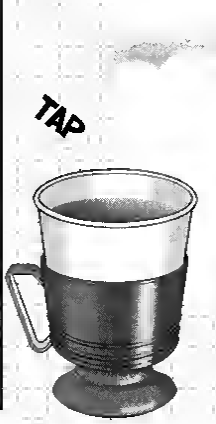

Ahh— An investigation is like a light
JINGLE
JINGLE
Woof woof
ALL OF YOU, HUH?

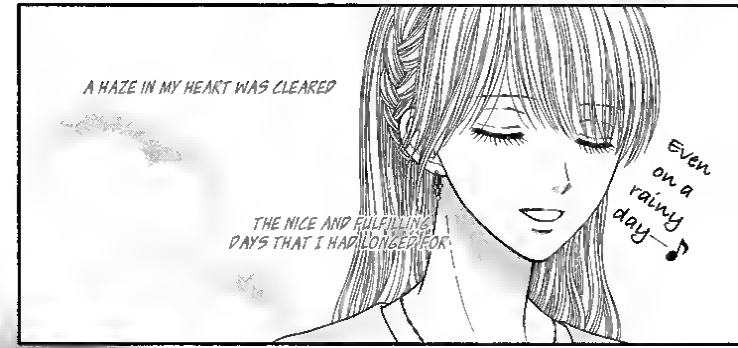
IF YOU WANT COFFEE, SING THE COMPANY SONG!

Woof woof
I WANT COFFEE, BUT NO SINGING.
SUCH A BORING GUY, NIJIHARA!
Even on a rainy day—
Oh
AREN'T YOU SINGING, NIJIHARA-SAN?

Ahahahaha
Offices
A silhouette like Saizaki-san!

Usa
Stab
STOP IT, MANAGER... YOU CALL ME BORING... THAT HURTS ME
WHY, KATAISHI-SAN?!
It's not you!





AT THIS TIME

I FELT LIKE THEY WILL CONTINUE FOREVER—

OUCH!
DON'T TOUCH OUR PROJECT!
HE HASN'T BEEN QUALITY CHECKED YET.
Killing projects is a crime.
AH...
BUT...
And me?
Now, let's wait for the QC-er, okay?
But my reader looks so sad!
Eh...
Then
WHY DON'T YOU
COME AND QUALITY-CHECK HIM?
EF is looking for QC-ers!

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